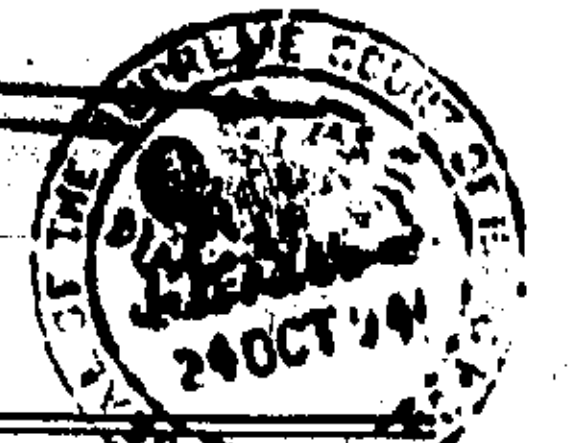


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MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1894.



THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,185,000
PAID-UP £688,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. [20]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.
Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq.,
Chan Kih Shan, Esq.,
H. Stollerfoht, Esq.,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,
Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.
HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.
Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [210]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS for 12 months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "
A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [553]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the CONTRACT OF LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby giving greatly increased Security to the Holders of the Company's Policies.

For full particulars and rates, Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th June, 1894. [743]

GENERAL NOTICE.
THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$335,333.33
EQUAL TO }
RESERVE FUND } \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., Chairman.
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.,
MANAGER.—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES at all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [640]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000
The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894. [121]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.
Under Distinguished Patronage.

MR. NATH. RUCHWALDY will give an Entertainment at the above Theatre, kindly assisted by some

WELL-KNOWN AMATEURS, and his PUPILS

THURSDAY, 25th OCTOBER,
Commencing at 9 o'clock P.M.

PROGRAMME:—
"AN ENTERTAINMENT IN COLOURS," in which Messrs. BRADY and C. T. ROBINSON will appear in entirely New Songs.

NEW LADY AMATEURS a Complete Banjo Band, &c., &c.

By Special Desire.
The Musical Flower Fairy Tale entitled "PANSY."

Written and Composed by Mr. N. RUCHWALDY, and Performed by over 30 Young Ladies and Children.

To conclude with a beautiful ideal personification of "THE WALTZ."

Tickets may be had from TO-DAY.
Price \$2 & \$1.
PLAN at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co.'s, Hongkong, 17th October, 1894. [1003]

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE BLACK PLAGUE.

THE HONGKONG MINSTRELS WILL GIVE

TWO MORE OF THEIR

POPULAR ENTERTAINMENTS For the BENEFIT of the

PLAGUE WORKERS.
The First Entertainment will be given ON

SATURDAY, THE 27th INSTANT, UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE AND SUPPORT.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

FULL PARTICULARS IN PROGRAMMES, which will be shortly issued.

Popular Prices \$2 & \$1.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform, half-price to Back Seats only.

Doors Open at 8.30.
Commencing at 9 o'clock precisely.

PLAN and TICKETS at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Limited.

SEATS may be booked on and after SATURDAY, September 15th.

A SPECIAL TRAM will run to the Peak, and a SPECIAL LAUNCH to Kowloon, 15 minutes after each Performance.

WILLIAM BLAYNAY,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 10th October, 1894. [1050]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 23rd October, 1894, AT 2.30 P.M.,

at his SALE ROOMS, QUEEN'S ROAD, AN ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE WARE, Comprising:—

KIOTO, IMARI, AWATA and NINSEI VASES, JARS, PLATES, INCENSE BURNERS, TEA and COFFEE SETS.

BRONZES, ENAMELLED WARE, EMBROIDERIES, EMBROIDERED FIRE SCREENS.

LADIES EMBROIDERED DRESSING GOWNS and JACKETS, EMBROIDERED TABLE-COVERS and CUSHION-COVERS.

COTTON and CRAPE CLOTH, BAMBOO BLINDS, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 29th October, 1894. [1005]

Masonic.

VICTORIA CHAPTER, No. 525.

A REGULAR CONVOCAION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS HALL, ZELDAN STREET, on THURSDAY, the 29th INSTANT, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 18th October, 1894. [1093]

Intimations.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.
WILL BE GLAD TO FORWARD, ON APPLICATION, THEIR

PRICE LIST OF

NEWSPAPERS for 1895.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1894. [6]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "KREMLIN" A. B. C. Code. TELEPHONE, No. 32.

BOARD AND LODGING FROM \$5.00 PER DAY.

HYDRAULIC LIFT TO ALL FLOORS.
THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH CONVEYS PASSENGERS AND BAGGAGES to and from all MAIL STEAMERS.

R. TUCKER, Manager.

HOTEL CHAMBERS.

BOARD AND LODGING FROM \$60 PER MONTH.

ROOMS TO LET on 2ND and 3RD FLOORS, FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED. Apply to

R. TUCKER, Manager, or **R. LYALL, Secretary.**
Hongkong, 21st September, 1894. [229]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
SHIPCHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, &c.

SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS OF SHIP AND ENGINE STORES OF BEST BRANDS.

AGENTS FOR:—
INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITION FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.

PRICES SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OIL. BELL'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

PURE FRESH WATER SUPPLIED
LANE CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, 16th July, 1894. TELEPHONE No. 97. [30]

DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East, 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1894. [41]

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

Electric Lighting throughout the Premises. Telegraphic Address:—"CENTRAL," SHANGHAI.

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODIOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS. SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers. N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY, PROPRIETOR.

W. BREWER
HAS JUST RECEIVED.

CAWS' STYLOGRAPHIC PENS.
Caws' Fountain Pens with Gold Nibs. (These Pens used with Caws' Stylographic Ink are the most satisfactory in the market.)

Wallace's "Prince of India." Hayes' "Among Men and Horses." Sanderson's History of England and British Empire.

Stand—"If Christ came to Chicago." The Transmigration of the Mandarin Fan-Hoem. Large Selection of New Pocket Kalves. Celebrating Materials.

TENNIS MATERIALS.
Footballs, Japanned Tin Dossatch and Cash Boxes. Photographic Materials for Amateurs. Fine quality Egyptian Cigarettes. Gents' Brown Walking Boots and Shoes. Gents' Dancing Pump. New Framed Billiard.

A great variety of Playing Cards, gilt and plain edges. Water Colour Boxes in great variety. Best's Stamp Albums in great variety.
W. BREWER, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, 27th September, 1894. [1093]

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FINAL BONUS OF FIVE PER CENT. ON CONTRIBUTIONS and a DIVIDEND of 12 PER CENT. per SHARE for the year 1893, PAYABLE on MONDAY, the 8th INST.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the SOCIETY on and after that date.

By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th October, 1894. [1042]

CANTON DISTRICT.
LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS, No. 30.

TORPEDO BUOYS AND PILOT STATIONS, CANTON RIVER.

NOTICE is hereby given that the BUOYS MARKING the CHANNEL through the Torpedo position have been REMOVED, and the High Authorities have decided on TWO PILOT STATIONS ONLY; one below SAM-PAN CHOW for Vessels bound inward and the other above the WANTONG ISLANDS for those bound out.

Masters are required TO STOP at these places for Inspection and for Pilots, and on no account to proceed after dark.

Every care should be taken to go at the Slowest Rate of Speed—conformable with safety—through the Torpedo position.

J. H. MAY, Harbour Master.
Approved, **E. B. DREW,** Commissioner of Customs.
Custom House, Canton, 16th October, 1894. [1086]

THE PHARMACY,
Under New and Experienced Management.

LACTOMALTINE—A superior and palatable combination for INDIGESTION and CONSUMPTION.

SCRUBB'S CLOUDY AMMONIA—Excels as a cleansing agent and makes a refreshing addition to the bath.

INDIA CHOLAGOGUE—An unfailing remedy for Fever and Ague.

Sole Agents in Hongkong for "TANSAN" the New Japanese Table Water which contains 8 per cent. more Iron Carbonate than that of any similar Spa.

FLETCHER & Co.—CHEMISTS, PERFUMERS, WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS, &c. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1894. [28]

"DERMATOL,"
MANUFACTURED by FARBERKE, HEBERT & Co., its effect in stimulating the closing up of WOUNDS, and in internal administration against diarrhoea, is described as amazing.

D. R. KNORR'S LION BRAND ANTI-PTVIRINE.
(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROY.)

Is the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic.

Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPTVIRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export Import and Bank Company, Beware of spurious imitations.

JUST UNPACKED,
THE Following GOODS, suitable for the SEASON:—

LADIES HATS, Trimmed and Untrimmed. A Varied Assortment of FLOWERS, PLUMES and ORNAMENTS for HATS.

SILK and KID GLOVES. DRESSES in CREPON and SILK. SKIRTS, VESTS and BLOUSES.

A Nice Assortment of SILK and WOOLLEN STUFFS, FANCY TRIMMINGS, WASHING and SILK LACES, RIBBONS, &c., &c., &c.

GENTLEMEN'S FELT HATS, FLANNEL TENNIS SHIRTS, GLOVES, BOOTS and SHOES, TWEEDS in different Shades, &c.

CHILDREN'S HATS and BONNETS, WOOLLEN and SILK DRESSES, INFANTS SUITS, &c., &c.

CASSUM MOOSA, 45-47, RUA CENTRAL, MACAO.
Macao, 16th October, 1894. [1085]

HOO LOONG, GENERAL DRAPER.
HAS received a Large Assortment of NEW GOODS, For Autumn and Winter.

Ex S.S. "MANILA," Comprising:—
Fine Cashmere, Plush, Velvet and Velveteen of every shade, Flannels, Ceylon Shirtings, Serge, Reshiva and Berlin Wool and 4 Fly Flanneling, Australian and Shetland Woole, Flowers, Newest Designs of Silk and Satin Dress Pieces, Quakerades, Table-covers, Cashmere Vests, Hosiery, Haberdashery, &c., &c., All at reasonable prices.

HOO LOONG hopes to receive by every Mail during the Winter the Newest Goods from the Home Markets.
HOO LOONG, 1, Lyndhurst Terrace.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1894. [1083]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
UNTIL further notice Mr. WILLIAM PARFITT is Authorized to Sign the Firm's Name per Procuration.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, 20th October, 1894. [1100]

Hotels.

PEAK HOTEL.
OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, has just been thoroughly re-decorated, renovated and re-furnished, and a NEW WING has been built, which commands magnificent Views of the Harbour and mainland of China.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES,
(FROM NOVEMBER 1ST TO MARCH 31ST).
One person, per day \$2.50 to \$ 3.00
One person, per month \$75 to 60.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per day 5.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per month \$100 to 105.00
Married couple (occupying two rooms) per month \$110 to 120.00
Extra Bed-room, per month 20.00

For further particulars, apply to
MANAGER,
New Victoria Hotel.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1894. [933]

BAY VIEW HOTEL.
THE "RAMSGATE" OF HONGKONG, (On Shau-ki-wan Road.)

THE POPULAR SUMMER RESORT, and TERMINUS of the only pleasant DRIVE to be had on the Island. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shau-ki-wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.

To the other attractions of this popular resort have been added, and a LAUNCH runs from the NEW PEDDER'S WHARF to BAY VIEW every half-hour after 5 P.M. daily.

Private Dinners or Tiffins prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours.

Hongkong, 13th August, 1894. [643]

FUJIYA HOTEL,
MIYANOSHITA, HAKONE.

Four and a half hours from Yokohama. FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. NATURAL HOT SPRINGS.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT IN ALL THE BUILDINGS. TWO ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES. EXCELLENT CUISINE.

SPECIAL RATES MADE FOR A PROLONGED STAY.
S. N. YAMAGUCHI, Proprietor.
[856]

HOTEL DE LA PAIX.
FORMERLY THE HOTEL DES COLONIES.

THIS HOTEL, situated on the FRENCH CONCESSION, a very convenient spot on SHAMKIN, is now prepared to offer the BEST ACCOMMODATION to any TOURISTS OCCASIONAL VISITORS who wish to bring their FAMILIES to pay a visit to CANTON, and EVERY POSSIBLE ATTENTION will be paid to their Comforts.

A FIRST-CLASS TABLE D'HOTE kept. WINES and SPIRITS of the Best Quality; and the Charges for the same are EXTREMELY FAIR and REASONABLE.

A well furnished BILLIARD SALOON with BAR attached.

V. A. ROZARIO, Manager.
Canton, 31st July, 1894. [834]

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS, (Corner of Queen's Road and Duddell Street.)

THE Undersigned has always thought that such a place as this was the one thing needed to fit in between HOTEL LIFE and the PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE—providing it be First-class in every detail. A place where one may have his GRILLED CHOP or STEAK at any hour of the Day, up to 11 P.M.; or later if notice be given. He is also prepared to SUPPLY MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES per MENU or ORDER—the Parties sending Dishes, &c., for same—and Cash. Terms:—

Breakfast per meal \$0.75 per Month \$12
Dinner " 0.75 " " 30
Dinner " 1.25 " " 35
Breakfast, Tiffin and Dinner \$45
Breakfast and Tiffin \$40
Tiffin and Dinner \$40

SPECIAL TIPPINS and DINNERS served in Excellent Style at short notice.

W. THOMAS, Proprietor.
Hongkong, 14th June, 1894. [139]

Shipping.
STREAMERS.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).
THE Steamship

"**BENVENUE**,"
Capt. R. W. Thomson, will be despatched on above TO-MORROW, the 23rd INSTANT, at Day-light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1894. [1091]

DAKIN CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

**HAVE JUST RECEIVED
A CONSIGNMENT OF
ILFORD DRY
PLATES,**

4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15,
and are offering the same at popular prices.

**SENSITIZED ALBUMENIZED
PAPER,
4 pt. in tin.**

CHEAP AND RELIABLE.

**DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd.,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.**

Hongkong, 13th October, 1894.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

OUR LATEST NOVELTY.

A SAMPLE POCKET FLASK.

SUITSABLE for TRAVELLERS or for
PICNIC, LAUNCH or SHOOTING
PARTIES has just been received and may be
obtained filled with any of our WINES or
SPIRITS at cost price.

PASSENGERS by STEAMERS will find it
INVALUABLE on the voyage when refreshment
is needed or they are suffering from SEA-
SICKNESS after the bar is closed.

The FLASK is well made and finished, and
when emptied will be useful for keeping for domestic
use. It can be readily adapted for a feeding
bottle, and will prove useful to carry milk or
other nourishment for Children; or Tea, Coffee,
Soup or other fluid nourishment in tiffin
baskets.

THESE SAMPLE FLASKS

can be obtained filled at the following prices

each:

PORT.

B-60 cents. C-65 cents. D-80 cents.

SHERRY.

B-45 cents. C-50 cents. D-60 cents.

BRANDY.

A-60 cents. B-65 cents. C-80 cents.

BRANDY.

D-11.40 cents. E-11.70 cents.

WHISKY.

B-45 cents. C-60 cents. E-65 cents.

IRISH WHISKY.

A-50 cents. C-70 cents.

BOURBON.

60 cents.

JAMAICA RUM.

60 cents.

A-GIN.

35 cents.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1894.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY

REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS

MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

BIRTHS.

At Shanghai, on the 13th inst., the wife of
C. A. PULLAN, of a son.

At Shanghai, on the 14th inst., the wife of
JAMES SCOTT, H.B.M. Vice-Consul, of a son.

On the 16th Sept., at Rushbrooks, Queensdown,
the wife of Surgeon Edward Meadows, R.N.,
H.M.S. *Alacrity*, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

At Shanghai, on the 14th of October, ORVILLE
DENTON, son of Thomas and Katharine BASKETT,
aged 5 years and 10 months.

At Shanghai, on the 13th October, in the 27th
year of his age, ROBERT WOO, only son of the
Rev. H. N. Woo, of the American Episcopal Mission.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

LONDON, October 21st.

Forty thousand Japanese troops under the
command of Marshal Oyama have left Hiroshima
destination unknown.

The feeling is gaining ground in Europe that
the Japanese successes have been overrated and
that China is still a formidable power.

THE SINEWS OF WAR.

Against some resistance, the Hiroshima Diet
has passed a resolution to raise a new loan of a
hundred million yen.

OBITUARY.

J. A. Froude, the historian, is dead.

FRANCE AND GREAT BRITAIN.

The following telegram was received in Tokyo
by the Japanese Government:—

LONDON, October 6th.

Excitement prevails here in consequence of
the sudden summoning of a Cabinet Council on
the 4th instant. One of the principal causes
which necessitate an urgent Cabinet Council is
said to have connection with the protection of
British subjects in China. Rumour has it that
diplomatic difficulties between France and Eng-
land have increased. The British Squadron in
the China Sea will be reinforced.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

The *Times* of October 10th says:—"Japan
will not relinquish her pretensions when in the
full flush of victory. Any attempt to procure the
cession or even suspension of hostilities at the
present time is therefore manifestly doomed to
failure unless supported by an overwhelming dis-
play of force, which is utterly out of the question.
Any Government attempting to bring about a
general agreement to put pressure on the com-
batants further than is necessary for the protection
of Europeans would inevitably find itself
left in the lurch and would make an enemy of
the most powerful nation in the East. China
and Japan must be allowed to fight out their
quarrel."—*Japan Mail*.

(From French papers.)

THE STRIKE AT PORT SAID.

PARIS, October 13th.

The strike of the labourers at Port Said has
terminated.

THE AMER.

The Amer of Afghanistan, who has been
suffering from hemorrhage of the kidneys, is
getting better.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

PARIS, October 3rd.

A strong detachment is about to sail from
Toulon for Siam.

ISMAILIA, October 3rd.

The harbour dredgers strike is extending along
the Canal. All dredgers up Ismailia have
abandoned work. The situation is serious.

LONDON, October 3rd.

The Duke of Somerset died to-day.

October 4th.

It is officially announced that the meeting of
the British Cabinet Council was wholly un-
connected with the meeting of the French Cabinet
which also has been hastily convened to-day.

PARIS, October 4th.

The French newspapers agree in stating that
no African question with England and France
exists which is not amenable to a friendly settle-
ment; the only grave question between the two
powers, the newspaper press declare, is the Egyptian
question.

BERLIN, October 4th.

It is officially declared that the arrests of the
non-commissioned officers at the School of
Gunnery arose from acts of insubordination,
being the outcome of a laxity of discipline which
prevailed there, and that only the leaders were
punished. The official statement denies that the
arrests have any connection with an
Anarchist propaganda.

LONDON, October 4th.

It is understood that the Cabinet Council
held on the 2nd instant was not connected with
Madagascar or any difficulty with France, but
had reference to the state of affairs in China,
especially with regard to the necessity of dis-
patching reinforcements to Hongkong, and
Minister, Mr. O'Connor, having telegraphed a
somewhat alarming account of the position of
foreigners in Peking.

The blockade of Madagascar ports by the
French Fleet is doubted in London and denied
in Paris. It is believed that the announcement
was based upon the fact of the increased
vigilance of the French Squadron whose vessels
were seen cruising along the Coast of
Madagascar in order to prevent the landing of
arms for the Hova.

October 5th.

The English newspapers are unanimous in
their opinion of the necessity of adopting prompt
measures for the protection of British subjects
at the Treaty Ports in view of the projected
Japanese invasion of China.

PARIS, October 5th.

The French cruiser *Ily* is ordered to proceed
to China and sail on Monday.

LONDON, October 6th.

The dispatch of British warships to the
China Station telegraphed yesterday has not yet
been finally decided by the authorities. Reuters
office states that Her Majesty's Government has
not yet taken any particular action in regard to
the protection of British interests at the Treaty
Ports, but fully recognizes the need of the same
and preparations are being made to give imme-
diate effect to any decision arrived at by the Government.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Pigeon* and *Redoubt* left Singapore for
Hongkong on the 14th inst.

THE U.S.S. *Petrel* is under orders to proceed to
Newchwang for the winter.

OWING to insufficient entries the Kobe Roving
Club has abandoned its annual regatta.

COLONEL Denby, United States Minister to
China, left Shanghai for Peking on the 14th inst.

THE Jolebu Mining and Trading Company,
Limited, advertise that a five per cent. dividend
is now payable.

THE O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with
mail, left Nagasaki for this port at 3 p.m.
on the 20th inst.

HER Majesty's ships *Corvette* and *Firedrake*
are shortly expected in Shanghai. The latter
will winter in Newchwang.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City
Hall Museum for the week ended Oct. 21st,
are:—Europeans, 1,461; Chinese, 1,143; total
2,604.

A REGULAR meeting of Victoria Lodge, No.
1026, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand
Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely.
Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

It is said that a third division of the Japanese
Army is to be organized. In addition to the
present two under command of Marshal Yamaga-
ta and Count Oyama respectively, in order
to extend operations on a large scale with
advantage.

THE Hon. W. M. Goodman, Attorney General
of Hongkong, accompanied by Mrs. Goodman,
returned to the colony by the English mail to-
day.

H.M.S. *Pease* left Chinkiang for Wuhu on the
16th inst., and is due to relieve the *Ex* at
Hankow on the 24th. The *Ex* proceeds to
Ichang.

A RATHER severe earthquake was experienced
in Tokyo, Yokohama, and surrounding districts
on the evening of the 8th inst. No serious
damage reported.

A TELEGRAM, dated London 4th October, has
reached Bangkok to the effect that a strong
detachment of French troops were to leave
Toulon for Siam.

CHANG CHIH-TUNG, Viceroy of the Hokuang,
who left for Peking last week in compliance
with a secret decree from the Throne, is said to
be travelling incognito.

SOME interesting and satisfactory letters have
been received regarding the Balmoral mine and
can be seen by shareholders at the Secretary's
office, No. 9 Prax Central.

CAPT. W. P. Bridgman, commander of the
U.S.S. *Baltimore* on the China Station, died of
Atlantic fever at Macao on the 16th ulto. He
was a native of Iowa, and 61 years of age.

AN Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No.
618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Ze-
land Street, to-morrow, at 8.30 for 9 p.m.
precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE P. and O. Co. have recently ordered four
new steamers, two from Messrs. Caird, of
Greenock, one from Messrs. Stephens, of
Glasgow, and one from a north of England firm.

A REGULAR Convocation of St. Andrew's
Chapter, No. 218, S.C., will be held in Free-
masons' Hall, Zealand Street, to-morrow, at 8.30
for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting companions are
cordially invited.

The English crew beat the Germans in the
International eight-oared race for the Merchants'
Plate at the Shanghai Rowing Club Regatta on the
15th inst., after a splendid race, by two
seconds.

A REGULAR meeting of the Ethen Mark Lodge,
No. 264, will be held in Freemasons' Hall,
Zealand Street, on Friday, the 25th instant, at
8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are
cordially invited.

A TELEGRAM to the *Stam Observer* states that
the vessels coming out to reinforce the British
squadron in China include the *St. George* and
Bramble. The *Bramble* is a first-class gun-
boat, but the *St. George* is a first-class cruiser
of 7,700 tons.

A REGULAR Convocation of Cathay Chapter,
No. 1165, will be held in Freemasons' Hall,
Zealand Street, on Wednesday, the 31st instant,
at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting companions
are cordially invited.

MR. NATH. RUCHWALDY had a very successful
full dress rehearsal of his "Pansies" to-day after-
noon. As the "show" is a very excellent one
of its kind and the "Professor" a very able and
experienced and zealous teacher it is to be
hoped that he will have a bumper house on
Thursday next.

THE cruiser *Nelson* was taken into the South
Lock at Portsmouth Dockyard a month ago to
have her bottom cleaned and her under fittings
attended to. After the overhaul she will be
commissioned for service on the China Station,
where she is to take the place of the old *Victor*
Emmanuel as receiving ship in Hongkong.

FIRE broke out at 5.45 this morning in Mr. Ho
Tung's go-down, Praya West, amongst a quantity
of beans and sugar. The Fire Brigade turned
out in double quick time, and with a copious
supply of water available the blaze was quickly
extinguished. The cause of the conflagration is
supposed to have originated through spontaneous
combustion. The amount of damage done is
not yet known, but it is covered by insurance.

AN Imperial Decree dated the 12th instant in
which the Emperor states that the rebellion of
the Japanese has nothing to do with the other
Foreigners at Peking, and that he has given
instructions to the officials to give all Foreigners
in Peking protection as provided by the Treaty,
was telegraphed in Shanghai from Peking on
the 16th inst. Any Chinese bad characters
causing trouble are to be punished without
mercy.

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL, who some years
ago, as Chancellor of the Exchequer in the
Marquis of Salisbury's Government, for a short
time held an important position in the British
political world, arrived here yesterday from
Japan by the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Ancona*
and is staying with Lady Churchill at the Mount
Austin Hotel. As his lordship is 'a back num-
ber' in politics, his visit to this part of the world
has no significance whatever.

On the 8th inst. the city of Ghilhi (Wifu) fell
into the hands of the Japanese Chinese
feeling prior to the arrival of the Japanese there.
An armed column of the Japanese crossed the
upper part of the river Yaloo without any
resistance from the enemy, and camped at an
unprotected place, being followed by other
detachments. The troops at Ghilhi were divided
into two columns, one stopping there to hold
possession of the place, and the other proceed-
ing to How-jo.

A CELESTIAL flower seller was charged at the
Police Court this morning with stabbing Pan Fan,
a gardener in the employ of Mr. Mody at Kow-
loon, on Saturday at noon in Wyndham Street.
According to the evidence it was a most cowardly
assault, defendant stabbing his victim from be-
hind. Complainant stated that he caught
defendant in his master's garden one day in the
act of picking flowers, and gave chase, but
defendant escaped, and this was his revenge.
Six months hard labour.

THE following are the weights for the One Mile
Handicap to be run at the Gymkhana on
Saturday next:—

Mr. Hart Bock's *q. Viper*, 12st. 3lb.

Mr. R. Fraser-Smith's *d. Dart*, 12st.

Mr. W. A. Cruickshank's *q. Haver*, 11st. 12lb.

Mr. D. Gilson's *q. Silver King*, 11st. 6lb.

Mr. J. D. Humphreys's *q. R. King*, 11st. 12lb.

Mr. R. Fraser-Smith's *q. Black Douglas*, 10st.

Mr. R. Fraser-Smith's *q. The Prince*, 10st. 3lb.

Mr. Alexander's *q. Frank*, 10st.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de
Janeiro*, with mail, &c., from San Francisco to the
4th inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and will
leave for this port, via Nagasaki, to-morrow
morning.

A NOTICE of Miss Elsie Adair's entertainment
at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, and an original
novellette, written specially for the *Hongkong
Telegraph*, are unavoidably held over until
to-morrow.

A TELEGRAM from Field Marshal Count Yama-
gata at Sun-on, Korea, was received at Hiro-
shima on the 10th instant, stating that General
Tachimi, commanding the advanced guard of
the Japanese army, had captured Ichu.

THE French cruiser *Forfait*, Capt. Reuloux,
which arrived here yesterday from Nagasaki,
left this morning for Saigon. While the *Forfait*
was at Nagasaki her second in command, Capt.
A. Baere de Lanlay, was suddenly taken ill and
died on the 12th inst.

At the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. E.
A. Atwood, Acting Chief Justice, sentenced
Pan Kiu-man to two years imprisonment for
embezzling from his employers, Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., the sum of \$12,300. At Yiu
for committing a larceny in Boham Strand,
was 'sent up' for twelve months' with hard
labour.

As will be seen by a notice in our advertising
columns, a compulsory benefit to Miss Elsie
Adair, the accomplished and deservedly popular
Soprano Dancer, has been arranged for
Wednesday night in the Theatre Royal, City
Hall, on which occasion she will have the assist-
ance of the *Alto* of Hongkong's amateur talent.
Miss Adair stands so far ahead of all the
exponents of the Terpsichorean art who have
ever visited this colony that her performance
alone would ensure a crowded house.

A special meeting of the Licensing Justices was
held in the Justices' Room at the Magistracy
this forenoon, to consider an application from
Mr. Israel Weinberg to be allowed to remove
the licence issued on the premises known as
the "Western Hotel," Queen's Road West, to
No. 142, Queen's Road Central, under the sign
of the "Central Hotel." Mr. H. E. Wedhouse
presided and there was also present Mr. G.
Horspool (Deputy Superintendent Police) and
others. The application was unanimously
refused.

THE *China Gazette* of the 13th inst. says it
"learns from a high authority that the sudden
command to the Viceroy of Yun-Kwei and
Liang-Hu to proceed to Peking is not so much
in connection with the war with Japan, as with
the Peking Government's fears of a hostile
movement by France in the south." How any
journalist outside a lunatic asylum can seriously
write such absurd rubbish as this is very difficult
to understand. Is the *Gazette's* 'high authority'
the Japanese News Bureau at Hiroshima or the
office 'Wickha' cooly?

We have just been informed by Mr. Blayney,
that the accomplished and versatile Miss Elsie
Adair, has kindly offered her services at the
entertainment to be given in the City Hall on
behalf of the workers during the plague epidemic.
Miss Adair at that occasion will elicitly the
audience with her very own version of T-a-r-
ra-Boom-de-ay, which she learnt from the only
Little Collins. The attractions to this show,
apart from the valuable object in view, are,
we understand, sufficient to fill a theatre as large
again as the local "Royal."

ACCORDING to a despatch dated Hiroshima,
October 13th, Count Inouye Kaworu, Home
Minister, has been appointed Minister Plenipo-
tentiary to the Court of Seoul, and was to leave
for his new post last Monday on board the
Yokohama. Mr. Saito Shinsuke,
ex-Vice Minister of the Agricultural and Com-
mercial Department, was to accompany him.
Viscount Yoshikawa, Judicial Minister, has been
appointed temporarily to fill the post of Home
Minister. The members of the Cabinet strongly
opposed Count Goto's intention to accept
employment as adviser to the Korean Govern-
ment.

THE *Mushoka* (see again) at the Magistracy
this morning, G. Reed, W. Kitton and G.
Drummond, swamen of the ship *Mushoka*, were
again charged for quitting their ship without
leave, refusing duty, and "sling threatening
language towards Theodore Wheeler (steward)
and assaulting Captain Crowe, and Mr.
Lane, the mate, at Saigon on the 20th
September. P. C. Graham gave evidence to the
effect that he arrested defendant by virtue of
three warrants (produced) at 3.30 p.m. on the
20th inst. in Queen's Road Central. By request
of the police the case was remanded till Thurs-
day next, bail being allowed in one surety of \$5
each.

THAT wonderful production, the *China Gazette*,
continues its idiotic course of palpable lying,
weak invention, and gross exaggeration. Its
latest marvellous news, from an alleged cor-
respondent at Chinkiang, is to the effect that the
Empress Dowager and Viceroy Li Hung-chang
had committed suicide. Tremendous excite-
ment prevailed amongst the people in Nanking
when the news was circulated, and as a result
the Viceroy warned the missionaries that for-
eigners would be very unsafe at that at least
the women and children should be sent away.
This is now being done, a contingent leaving
on the steamer *Yuenwoo*. From other
reliable sources our previous contemporary
learns that after the execution and mutilation
(this is an absolute falsehood, as the men were
not tortured in any way and the Editor of the
China Gazette is aware of it) of the two unfor-
tunate Japanese, the attitude of the popu-
lace has become so threatening towards the
foreign residents that many of the latter have
left or are leaving.

THE first consignment of Subscription Griffs
for the next meeting of the Hongkong Jockey
Club, fifteen in number, arrived from Shanghai
yesterday morning and were drawn for this after-
noon at Mr. Kennedy's Horse Repository. They
appear a fairly level lot all round, without any
of them showing conspicuous quality as regards
shape and shape, and are in much better con-
dition than usually the case with a sent landed
griffins. There was a fair number of sports at
the drawing, which resulted as follows:—

No. Colour. Drawn.

1. Dr. Noble.

2. Mr. W. A. Cruickshank.

3. Mr. A. S. Manners.

4. Mr. R. Fraser-Smith.

5. Mr. H. E. Hobson.

6. Mr. D. Nowrojee.

7. Hon. J. J. Kewick.

8. Dr. Noble.

9. Mr. H. H. Hopkin.

10. Mr. R. M. Gray.

11. Mr. J. H. Lewis.

12. Mr. R. M. Gray.

13. Mr. H. N. Mody.

14. Mr. J. D. Humphreys.

15. Mr. R. Fraser-Smith.

THE PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL.

SEQUEL IN THE POLICE COURT.

About seven years have elapsed since France
was convulsed by the accidental discovery of
the discovery of dastardly frauds committed by
M. de Lesseps and a number of public men in
whom the whole French nation had for a
number of years unbounded confidence. The
result of the discovery led as it well
known, to legal proceedings lasting over
two or three years and concluding with the
conviction of Mr. De Lesseps and several
of his distinguished colleagues, including
M. Arton, one of the smartest accountants in
Paris, who was, in due course, sentenced to
twenty years

bubble on the surface that showed how the depths were surging. That rising, which was in no sense an anti-foreign outbreak, was quelled, and the leaders, including the dreaded Li Hung, were beheaded. But a great social movement cannot be extinguished by lopping off the heads of a mere handful of conspirators; and the action of the authorities only tended to exasperate their followers and render them determined to avenge the death of those whom they regarded, rightly or wrongly, as martyrs to the cause which they had espoused. Finally, the Chinese Government concluding that they had effectually damped the ardour of the Koloa Hoi and living on in a fool's paradise, as it were, a better course to pursue would have been the pursuance of a progressive policy within the borders of China proper and a conciliatory policy towards Korea, thereby consolidating the power of the ruling dynasty and avoiding the danger of a quarrel with Japan, and the power in respect to the misruled and ill-governed Hermit Kingdom. That course was not pursued and the result is before us—a war with Japan and the secret societies fairly armed and awaiting a favourable opportunity to shake to its very foundations the Dragon throne. But who are the leaders of this great social movement, and what is the extent of their influence? There are in the ranks of the United Chinese men of all creeds and stations in the Oriental life, and it is even reported that provincial gubns, especially those patrolling in southern waters, are used by their commanders to smuggle arms into the interior of China for the use of rebels, under the pretence that they are for imperial troops. It is so, it is for the high officials of the Empire to adopt drastic measures to put a stop to such serious irregularities. It may be, of course, he too has to see the emperor, the thousands of stands of arms that have been surreptitiously conveyed into the interior, but it is beyond question that a check to the revolutionary movement can be effected and that accomplished the Central Government will be in a position to pursue in the future a progressive policy calculated to benefit the Manchurian rulers and the whole nation as well and convert China into one of the greatest powers of the world. It would, indeed, be strange if history does not repeat itself in these regions before many years have gone by, but there is, however, no absolute necessity for it, and it is in the hope that China forewarned will be in due time be forearmed that we have ventured to bring the subject-matter of this report to the notice of the Chinese Government and those whose interests may be prejudicially affected by the progress of the revolution in the north or the outbreak of revolution in the neighbouring and friendly Empire of Far Cathay in the near future.

THE BRITISH CRUISER "CRESCENT."

The first class British cruiser *Crescent*, under the command of Captain F. W. Fisher, which arrived here yesterday morning, left Portsmouth on the 10th ult., and Plymouth the following day with new crews for *Orlando* and *Albatross*, on the Australian station, and her subsequent dates of departure were—Gibraltar 15th September, Malta 19th, Port Said 22nd, Suez 25th, Aden 28th, Colombo (whence she received her orders for China) 10th October, and Singapore 15th.

At Aden she had the misfortune to lose two of her machines, both of whom died within a few hours of one another from heat-apoplexy, and on arrival at Singapore a carpenter named Mann, summoned before he could be removed to hospital. The heat was severely felt coming down the Red Sea and crossing the Indian Ocean, the ship, like most modern cruisers, being more adapted for a temperate climate than the tropics.

The *Crescent*, it will be remembered, recently made a most successful voyage to Sydney and back with relief crews belonging to the ships employed in protecting the maritime trade in Australia. On that occasion she steamed a distance of over 25,000 miles (without a hitch) on a coal consumption of 6,300 tons, entirely beating all service records and making the double journey in 82½ sea-days, a performance which compares most favourably with the mail steamers' records, which she only exceeded about two-fifths of her horse-power.

The success of the *Crescent's* voyage decided the Admiralty to repeat the experiment, and the *Gibraltar* was told off to take out the new crew to the Australian flag-ship immediately after the manoeuvres, but some slight defects developed themselves which would probably necessitate her going into dock-yard hands, and the *Crescent* was again selected for the work.

The new departure will at once commend itself to all interested in the welfare of the Navy, giving, as it does, command to both ships and crew, and enabling the latter to perfect themselves in the latest improvements in modern gunnery, for which the *Crescent's* armament of the newest pattern quick-firing guns is specially adapted. The great value, however, of this new principle lies in the support it affords to the fighting strength of the fleet, or station, within whose sphere the cruiser may be passing, and this has been manifestly demonstrated in the present disturbed state of affairs in the Far East, for within ten days of the receipt of the Admiralty telegram one of the most powerful and efficient cruisers in the British Navy has been added to the effective strength of the China Squadron. Even on economical grounds the scheme has proved a sound one, the expenditure of coal per hour of horse-power being very little in excess of a hired transport, while the advantage to the Service in the maintenance of discipline, and the carrying out of the ordinary drills and routine of a fully commissioned man-of-war cannot be too highly estimated.

The *Crescent* forms one of the nine first-class protected cruisers built under the *Naval Defence Act* of 1888, known as the "Edgar" type. The *Crescent* and her sister ship the *Royal Arthur* (carrying the flag of the Commander-in-Chief in the Pacific) are slightly larger than the others, being fitted with raised forecastles which afford additional berthing-room to the crew. Accommodation is also provided for an Admiral and his staff, and it was generally understood before leaving England that on her return the *Crescent* would be fitted out to take the place of the *Edgar*, the flagship on the North American and West Indian Station. This ship has a displacement of 7,700 tons, or about 30 tons more than the *Edgar*, which is now on her way out to the Pacific. The horse-power is the same in all the vessels of her class, 11,000 indicated, capable of working up to 12,000, under forced draught. The armament consists of 12 of the newest pattern 6.5 in. quick-firing guns, which are mounted on the forecastle, six on the upper deck, protected by steel armoured revolving shields, and four on the main deck in the waist, the latter being screened by 6 in. steel casemates.

At the quarter deck is a 2 in. 25 ton breech-loading gun, which can be trained to fire astern or on the broadside. In addition to the heavy armament there are several quick-firing ordnance guns, of which two are 4 in. 6 pr. Hotchkiss guns under the forecastle, two in the Admiral's quarters, two 5 pr. and three 3 pr. in the shelter deck; two 3 pr. 40 lb. in the

bridge, and four six pr. in the waist; there are also the usual complement of machine guns—Nordenfledts, Vickers, and field guns. A large heavily armoured conning tower occupies a prominent position under the fore bridge, and a series of electric bells, voice tubes, etc., afford the means of communication with the engine-room, magazines, torpedo rooms, and other important centres. The ship is fitted with both above and under water discharge tubes, and has been supplied with the latest approved pattern torpedoes.

Built in dock at Portsmouth, the *Crescent* was floated out in March, 1892. Her dimensions are—length 360 feet, beam 50 feet, load draught 24 feet forward, and 25 feet aft. The machinery was provided by the well known firm of Penn and Sons, Greenwich, and consists of two pairs of triple expansion vertical engines, driving two screws and giving a speed of 19½ knots an hour. Longitudinal bulkheads with watertight door connections divide the engine-room into two sections, and these and the boilers are protected by an armoured turtle-back extending the whole length of the ship, the open spaces leading up to the upper deck being provided with steel armour gratings to withstand the effects of shell fire. In addition to the main engines there are some 54 others used for auxiliary purposes, and a large workshop fitted with turning lathes, and other appliances for executing minor repairs. The ship is lighted throughout with electricity by means of three powerful dynamos. Steam is supplied from eight single-ended cylindrical steel boilers, fitted with 32 furnaces. There is stowage room for 1,300 tons of coal, capable of running the vessel 2,400 nautical miles at 18½ knot speed, or 10,000 miles at 10 knots.

The engine-room complement alone comprises 127 officers and men. The ordinary crew consists of 145 all told, but about 70 more can be carried without inconvenience.

There are four different decks, the upper, main, lower or protective, and platform; the two latter being divided into numerous compartments fitted with over 100 watertight doors.

In the *Crescent* are embodied all the essentials required in a vessel of her class, namely, good offensive and defensive powers, great speed, fine coal storage, and ability to keep at sea for a long period without having to dock, the bottom being sheathed with wood, and coppered; with her steam steering apparatus, and balanced rudder, she is remarkably quick and handy at manoeuvring. The guns' crews are well protected from shell fire, or quick-firing ordnance, and the protective deck, extending as it does some distance below the water-line, minimises the danger of being sunk when holed. An elaborate system of self-defence has been furnished in case of attack by torpedoes, aided by powerful electric search-lights.

The ship was somewhat unfortunate on commissioning, the eccentric shavings of her engines giving considerable trouble; eventually they were removed, and replaced by new ones, and the vessel has since fulfilled in every respect the high expectations formed of her, maintaining with her a speed of from 12 to 15 knots according to weather conditions, on a very moderate consumption of coal.

The Australian Government made a strong effort to secure her as flagship on her last trip, but as they had previously refused the *Bonaventure*, the Admiralty declined to make the concession, the truth probably being that her deep draught (which prevented her going in and out of some of the harbours except on certain tides) made her unsuitable for the work of that Station.

The *Crescent* experienced a strong monsoon on the passage up from Singapore which somewhat retarded her progress. The Cap Rock light was sighted at 7.30 on Saturday evening, and the ship arrived in Hongkong harbour at 2.15 a.m. yesterday, making fast to No. 3 buoy. It is expected she will be ordered North to join the Admiral's fleet, and it is not improbable that some orders were received to-day as to her destination.

List of Officers of H.M.S. "Crescent."
 Permanently attached to ship:—
 Commander.....J. McKenzie Fraser.
 Lieutenant (N.).....A. L. Hughes.
 Staff Paymaster.....John J. Sloan.
 Staff Engineer.....William Cook.
 Engineer.....Henry J. Turner.
 Gunner.....William Jeffery.
 Boatswain.....Stephen H. Crouch.
 Carpenter.....Michael Green.

Sent for the cruise.
 Chaplain.....Rev. S. Shone, L.D., B.A.
 Engineer.....Hy. T. Knappman.
On passage to H.M.S. "Orlando."
 Commander.....Arthur W. Carter.
 Lieutenant.....Edmond E. Jervoise.
 ".....John F. Murray-Aynsley.
 ".....Montagu Hutton.
 ".....Archibald Deas, R.N.R.
 Major, R.M.A.,.....A. Milne.
 Fleet Paymaster, Arthur S. C. Clarke.
 Fleet Surgeon.....Gerard Irvine.
 Sub-Lieutenant, Robert C. W. Lambert.
 Asst. Paymaster, Leonard Harris.
 Engineer.....Albert E. Cox.
 Asst. Engineer.....J. J. Hare.
 Gunner.....Ben. T. Huxidge.
 ".....Geo. J. Flux.
 Boatswain.....Jno. V. Vinclocombe.
 ".....Sam. Kevern.
 Asst. Clerk.....Arthur Bonbury.
 ".....John H. Roffey.
On passage to "Herald."
 Sub-Lieutenant.....Wm. H. W. Boyle.
 ".....Oswald W. Eagles.
 Asst. Paymaster.....H. P. White.
 Gunner.....Ed. C. Lee.
On passage to "Rapid."
 Lieutenant.....F. A. H. Andrews.
 Boatswain.....Jas. Sullivan.
On passage to "Mildura."
 Staff-Surgeon.....A. H. Miller.
 Lieut., R.M.L.I.,.....John F. V. S. Whitmarsh.
 Captain Fredk. W. Fisher is in temporary command of the *Crescent*, and on arrival in Australia will take over the command of the *Orlando*, when her present Captain (Chas. R. Arbuthnot) will be transferred to the *Crescent*, and take her home.

THE DUTCH IN LOMBOK.
 BATAVIA, October 5th.
 Idagaberg with 900 followers has been pardoned from the Government. Two battalions will be forwarded to Karang Asem (Bali) against Gonsli Djelantik.

October 6th.
 By raising the walls round Mataram 300 cauls of smouldering gunpowder, several cases of explosive gelatine & cases of bullets for repeating rifles and a new machine for snatching cartridges have been found.

The taking of Mataram has created much astonishment and fear amongst the Balinese. The garrison of Tjakranegara isolated the Dutch and white flag, but no notice has been taken of this.

At N. M. Sak has added Puncung and has set fire to it. The population took refuge in the island village of Tomboko. Four of the largest rice stores of the Raja have been burned down.—*De Oosteraand.*

THE WAR IN THE NORTH.

The following items are taken from Japanese papers:—

General Count Yamagata and Major-General Oshima left Heijo on the 4th, bound to Ghabu (Wiju).

Three more steamers of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha were taken up as Government transports a few days ago.

The next serious battle on shore was expected to take place at Kilmun (Fung-wang Chang) about the 20th inst.

The Chinese legation in Seoul has been converted into the stables of the Japanese horse-guards stationed there.

Though it was reported that none of the enemy remained on the left bank of the Yaloo, the *Osaka Asahi* hears that a certain Chinese force is still encamped there.

The daily allowance of food for the Chinese prisoners is fixed at 18 *sen* for an officer, and 16 *sen* for a private. Japanese soldiers have usually an allowance of only 11 *sen*.

It is expected that an attack will shortly be made by the Japanese on the fortified Chinese city of Kilmun-jin. The strength of the enemy there is reported to be about 10,000; but they probably do not number more than 10,000.

Uneasiness prevails in Seoul, owing to a desire on the part of Tai-ku to place his grandson Ri-Shun-to on the throne. The Korean Liberal party have asked for the loan of 200,000 *taels* of Japanese troops (who hold a regular position).

The *Kokumin Shinbun* says the majority of the popular party believe the war expenses to be raised will amount to 200,000,000 *yen*, and that it will be left to the Government's option, to either raise a foreign or domestic loan, or to increase the taxes for that amount.

The Government is expected to raise a second war loan to the amount of 50 million *yen*. The taxes on *sake* and tobacco will be increased, and the total revenue from these two items will amount to over 70 million *yen*. There is a large majority in the Cabinet opposed to raising a foreign loan.

A Chemulpo correspondent writes:—A Korean ringleader of the Jido-to (Chinese supporters) issued a circular, informing his countrymen to the effect that they must do their best to drive the Japanese out of their territory. The Tokogai rebels assembled at Nangsan, and are now said to number about 4,000, their strength increasing day by day.

The *Yiji* of 6th inst. publishes a Peking-yang telegram, dated 3rd inst., saying: Not a vestige of the enemy is to be seen in the vicinity of Wiju, all having crossed the Yaloo river to the other side, perhaps. The *Nicht Nacht* of 7th inst. states that later intelligence reports that a portion of the Chinese troops have again crossed the river to the eastward, and are reported to be busily engaged in defensive preparations against the Japanese army advancing from the south.

There is a report said to have been received by the Japanese authorities to the effect that the Chinese soldiers have built six forts on the left bank of the Yaloo river, and although not ascertained for a certainty, there have been built 14 of these on the right bank, the number of guns mounted being over 80. The total number of their troops in the neighbourhood of the Yaloo river is about 70,000. The remnant of their forces in retreat from Peking-yang have collected on the right bank, and scouts are visible at a distance of three *ri* beyond Wiju.

HANKOW NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
 HANKOW, October 10th.
 Everything seems to be quiet here and in the immediate neighbourhood. Nevertheless, the Volunteers, which now number over thirty, are actively drilling and practising; so if any disturbance should occur we shall not be unprepared.

The natives have a report that the Koloa-hai have risen at a place some 600 *li* from here. We have not, so far, been able to find out anything reliable about it.

Owing to the small number of griffins and other ponies that can be carried upon the four-wheeled carts, it has been found necessary to limit the number of horses to twelve only, instead of sixteen as usual, but we still hold out hopes for two days of good sport.

October 11th.
 The China Merchants' steamers *Kwangtung* and *Hsueh-shan* arrived this morning and proceeded to Wu-chang to embark troops and ammunition for the north. It is believed that they will only go to the mouth of the Great Canal, and the men, etc., will be transferred to native boats.

No further news has been received concerning the outbreak in Hunan.

I hear that Viceroy Chang Chih-tung has left for an audience at Peking.—*Shanghai Mercury.*

TIENSIN NOTES.

A correspondent writes to the *N. C. Daily News* under date October 13th:—

Mr. O'Connor, H.M.S. Minister, arrived at Taku Bay from Chefoo on the 10th inst. In H.M.S. *Albatross* and has passed through the route for Peking. Count Cassini and family also arrived on the 10th from Chefoo in the *Kaitong* and are now leaving for Peking.

The French Minister left on the 12th inst. in the *Dauphine* for Chefoo. The French gunboat *Comite* has arrived at the bar and is now coming up to the Settlement.

The *Wooning* reports sent on her way up, when the *St. George* was on her way up, she fell in with a fleet of eight Japanese men-of-war who signalled for her name and destination, and then signalled: "You can proceed."

The Japanese barque *Takko Maru*, which was seized at Taku Bay about the 10th of August last, having left Hakodate long before the war, is now lying outside the bar, and is to sail at once to Japan under the command of Captain Ochiai, of the Taku Lightship. She is to be handed over to her owners in Nagasaki.

Soldiers and recruits are constantly streaming into Tientsin, and drilling is always going on in the different camps in the neighbourhood and along the banks of the river. The transports are very busy running in and out to Port Arthur, Wei-hai-wei, and other places, and a large force of cavalry is now being embarked at Tsing-tai, and it is surmised that it is to be conveyed to the Yaloo river.

The German cruiser *Alexandria* arrived at Taku on the 11th inst., and is still lying there. Capt. Lin, late of the *Kwangtung*, succeeds Capt. Fong in the command of the *Taiyuen*. The tugboat *Falko* is now running as a dispatch-boat in and out of the Gulf in place of the *Chienan*. Capt. McClure being in command. The *Victory* Li Hung-chang is about to establish a large military hospital at Newchwang, and several Red Cross sisters are going up to set up a hospital.

As far as we can learn here no Japanese have landed anywhere near Port Arthur or inside the Gulf of Pechili.

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SHANGHAI SPORTING NOTES.

Thus "Daybreak" in the *N. C. Daily News* of the 17th inst.:—

The St. Leger candidates must claim my first attempt on Q.C. Baby, 13 mile in 4.10, finishing in first-class form. Ructions, Mr. Pike, 2 miles in 4.45, had held all the way. This pony must be marked dangerous for he menures 14 hands, and only has to carry a leather weight, 127 lbs., and seventeen pounds less than his weight for inches.

Cockpen, (Cousin Willie), Vagrant, Mr. Reynell, 13 mile in 3.35, the old grey cantering as if he were out for a holiday. I am told that a well known medico has given his opinion that it is unsafe for anyone to ride this pony in the present condition of his eyes, so I trust that his jockey will take great care when riding him in the races.

Blue Ribbon, 13 mile in 4.15; last quarter 37—this gallop at once shows the facility of entering this pony for racecourses 13 miles. Owl, Mr. Pike, galloped along 13 mile in 3.41, showing a little improvement on his last performance, but the habit of boring out which he has acquired on this course will interfere with his chances materially. These gallops took place before 6 a.m. when the course was very dead and wet with dew, and was in my estimation nearly one second slower per quarter than later on when the sun was up.

Eros, (boy), 3.32 for 13 mile, last quarter 33. No improvement is to be noticed here at present. Nile, Mr. Read, 13 mile 2.55, last quarter 38 seconds, and my remark with regard to his finish still holds good. He would gallop in just the same style if T. Lister or Mornington Cannon were on him. Eclipse took 4.10 to cover 13 mile distance, half mile 1.6, finishing as if he were starting for a quarter. With the cracks all under suspicion this would not be a bad horse to stand on. Dalmeny, schooled by his stable companion Prince Charlie, did his 13 mile in 3.24. This was the gallop of the morning though he was ridden for all he was worth. "Emery" Awkies (Mikado), 13 mile in 4.5, time good but style, well—

Gunbabe, Mr. F. Dallas, cantered 13 mile in 3.61.

Dare Devil and Hobbit, boys up, 13 mile in 3.3; they would go well in double harness, as their paces are identical.

Sinner, Mr. Forman's magnificent spring griffin, is reported to have done 4.32 for his two miles, and I consider him quite up to this standard were he fit and well, but at present the five minutes version of his jockey appears to be nearer the mark. Mr. Ring's string, in his absence, were again given steady cantering.

Zealith was galloped on Sunday morning on the mud course. Mr. Read up, 13 mile in 3.24, last quarter 31½ centing—a flying course. With Ructions, Eros, Eclipse, Sinner, Zenith, and say a couple of Mr. Ring's, all going strong, it is a difficult task at present to single out any one, but no doubt by the end of this week I shall know more about them.

Of the other gallops which took place on Saturday morning worth recording I must mention Kid, who, up a starting racecourse for a paper hunter, 13 mile in 2.6, going alone, finishing very easily. Dandy (Punch), 1 mile 2.17; this little chestnut is a perfect mover and he appeared to be very fast at the finish. Throble (boy), 13 mile in 3.38 4-5th, last quarter 33 seconds—this pony should make his mark in the Maldives.

I noticed an improvement in Primrose, Mr. Read up, 13 mile 3.32; Brigand half a mile in 1.1. The two half mile races should be at this point's mercy. Blackberry, owner up, had his usual little picnic canter, 13 mile in 3.4. What most the old make think is being done on him now; he was accustomed to rather rough treatment.

I was very disappointed to hear that Bovril was scratched from all engagements, after seeing what grand little he was in on Wednesday. For any one that loves the game it is a genuine treat to see Bovril fit and sound come thundering down the straight like a piece of machinery. He is a class of pony very seldom met, for lusty, resolute, and strong as a lion, he has a constitution of iron and can stand any amount of work. This leaves only the old warrior Vagrant in the long distance races, Mr. Buxey having elected to stand down this meeting, and it was a pity, as Blue Beard was never in better order, though I have always considered him "inferior Dossier" compared to *Bovril*, *Horns*, *Guard*, and *Logan*.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

21st October, 1894.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Wind	Temp.	Bar.	Humid.	Cloud.	Sea.
Whitworth	SE 10	65	30.1	85	0	0
Taku	SE 10	65	30.1	85	0	0
Shanghai	SE 10	65	30.1	85	0	0
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22nd October, 1894.—At 10 a.m.

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